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Las Vegas, NV 89106  
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## AUTOPSY REPORT

Case Number: [REDACTED]

October 4, 2017

### POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION ON THE BODY OF [REDACTED]

Date of Pronounced Death: October 2, 2017

Date of Postmortem Examination: October 4, 2017

#### EXTERNAL EXAMINATION:

The body was received sealed with a seal number [REDACTED] along with the identification tag. The body was that of a normally developed and nourished, [REDACTED], male, appearing about the recorded age of [REDACTED] years. The body measured 72 inches in length and weighed 224 pounds. Rigor mortis had passed. Livor mortis was present posteriorly and fixed. Clothing was consisted of shirt, jeans, socks and boots along with a sunglasses pouch. The head was normocephalic and the scalp hair was black with brown hue. The eyes had white sclerae, pale conjunctivae, and blue irides. The dentition was natural. No lesions of the oral mucosa were identified. The thorax was symmetrical and unremarkable. The abdomen was flat. The external genitalia were those of a normal adult uncircumcised male. The back showed no significant deformities or other abnormalities. There was a design tattoo on midline upper back. There was a plastic bracelet around the left wrist.

EVIDENCE OF TREATMENT: None

#### EVIDENCE OF INJURY:

##### PERFORATING GUNSHOT WOUND TO THE NECK:

There was a 0.3 cm x 0.3 cm round through and through entrance gunshot wound on the neck, 7-1/2 inches below the top of the head and on the posterior midline. There was no soot or gunpowder stippling noted on the skin surrounding this wound. The wound track proceeded from this injury through the soft tissue of the posterior neck, C4 and C5 vertebrae, vessels of the left side of the neck which included the carotid artery and

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jugular vein, soft tissue of the anterior neck and ended at an exit wound on the side of the neck, 8-3/4 inches below the top of the head and 2 inches left of the anterior midline. Associated injuries included hemorrhage along the wound path. The wound track was from back to front, right to left and downward when the body is viewed in the standard anatomical position. There was no bullet or part of bullet recovered from the wound track.

### Additional injuries:

There was a  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch x  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch abrasion on the posterior right elbow. There was a  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch x  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch abrasion on the medial surface of the proximal right leg. There was a  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch x  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch abrasion on the medial surface of the right ankle. There was a  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch x  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch abrasion on the anterior proximal right leg. There was a  $\frac{3}{16}$  inch  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch abrasion on the medial surface of the right foot. There was a  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch x  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch abrasion on the lateral surface of the left ankle.

SPECIMEN RETAINED: None

### RADIOGRAPHS:

Anterior postmortem radiographs together encompassing the head, torso and extremities were taken and findings were included in the evidence of injury.

### FINAL DIAGNOSES

1. Gunshot wound to the back of the neck
2. Abrasions on the right elbow, legs and right foot

### OPINION:

It is my opinion that death was caused by gunshot wound to the back of the neck sustained during mass fatality incident.

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### PERFORATING GUNSHOT WOUND TO THE NECK:

There was a through and through entrance gunshot wound on the midline back of the neck. There was no evidence of close range of firing noted on the skin surrounding this wound. The wound track proceeded from this injury through the soft tissue, C4 and C5 vertebrae, vessels of the left side of the neck ended at an exit wound below the left jaw. Associated injuries included hemorrhage along the wound path. The wound track was from back to front, right to left and downward when the body is viewed in the standard anatomical position. There was no bullet or part of bullet recovered from the wound track.

Additional injuries included abrasions on the right elbow, legs and right foot.

Postmortem toxicology report revealed blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of 0.203 g/100 mL as well as methamphetamine, breakdown product of cocaine and cocaethylene, and breakdown products of marijuana in the blood.

**CAUSE OF DEATH:** Gunshot wound to the back of the neck

**MANNER:** HOMICIDE

Leonardo Roquero, M.D.  
Medical Examiner  
LR/amu/ag

DATE: 12/20/2017